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1. Chief Office Director Fritz Darr, of the Central Administration of Health, has been dismissed by Dr. Joseph Schoelmerich, personnel chief. Darr had gone over from the SPD to the SED, but still remained a Social Democrat in his thinking and spoke out openly against SED policies in the Central Administration. Officially, the reason for Darr's dismissal was the fact that he was a professional soldier.
2. A financial expert in the Central Administration for Health, named Wende, resigned 1 November because he suspected he would be dismissed. Wende was a member of the LDP. Dr. Behrendt (CDU), of Department VIII, resigned at the same time for the same reason. All the doctors in Department VIII intend to resign, according to source, effective 31 December 1946. These include Dr. Hermann Bermann, Departmental Chief, Dr. Rettig, Dr. Wesselowski, and one other doctor. They are tired of being spied on and prefer resigning to being discharged or possibly even arrested.
3. The head of Department VI/2, Dr. Lenz, was furloughed on 15 October on charges of misappropriating German Red Cross funds. Investigation failed to prove the charges but he was not reinstated. Lenz was in the SPD before joining the SED and was regarded with suspicion by the SED group in the Central Administration.

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